

IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR MARYLAND  
GREENBELT DIVISION

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THE RECREATION AND WELFARE  
ASSOCIATION OF THE NATIONAL  
INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Plaintiff

v.

Case No: **RWT 14 CV 2580**

CREATIVE INTERNET MARKETING INC.  
and  
RUTH SRANGER

Defendants

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**NOTICE OF REMOVAL**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d), 1441 and 1446 Defendants Creative Internet Marketing Inc. and Ruth Sranger (hereinafter collectively "Sranger") hereby removes this lawsuit from the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Maryland to the U.S. District Court for Maryland, Greenbelt Division. As grounds for removal, GSK states as follows:

1. This case was filed in the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland on July 16, 2014, and a summons was issued on July 16, 2014. Exhibit A.
2. Plaintiff is asserting a claim for money damages arising from Sranger's ownership and operation of a website and the use of copyrighted and trademarked materials.
3. Plaintiff is contesting ownership of the website and the written, copyrighted, materials and trademarks on the website.
4. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action and all claims asserted against Sranger pursuant to 28 U.S.C.A. 1331 (federal question).

**I. THE PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR REMOVAL ARE SATISFIED**

5. This Notice of Removal is timely filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). Plaintiff served the Complaint on Sranger on July 19, 2014. This Notice of Removal is filed within thirty (30) days after receipt by Sranger of the initial pleading setting forth the claim for relief upon which the action is based.

6. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a), because the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Maryland is located within the geographic boundaries of the District Court for Maryland. 48 U.S.C. §§ 1613, 1615.

7. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Sranger will file promptly a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Maryland. Sranger has served all parties with a copy of this Notice of Removal. Exhibit B.

**II. THIS COURT HAS FEDERAL JURISDICTION UNDER 17 U.S.C. 101 *et seq.***

8. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1331 and 17 U.S.C. §§101 *et seq.* and §501.

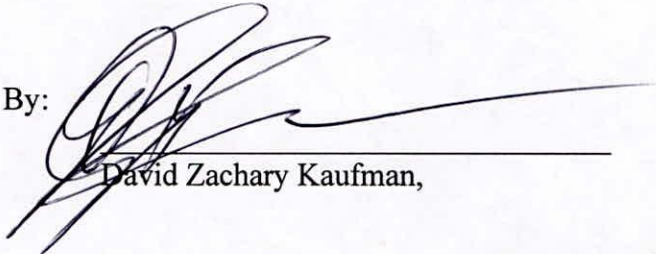
9. This action satisfies all requirements for federal jurisdiction under 17 U.S.C. §501 *et seq.*

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, Sranger requests that this Court assume full jurisdiction over this action as provided by law.

Respectfully submitted,

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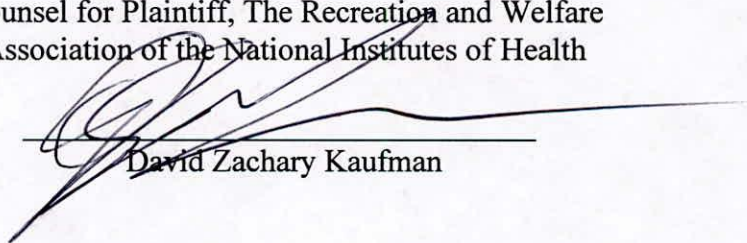
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